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TO AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM NEA/ARN, DRAPER

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SUBJECT: MOHAMMED MAKHLOUF

1. WE UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING WENT SMOOTHLY IN MAKHLOUF'S VISIT. WE KEPT IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH HIS HOSTS. DAVID REUTHER ATTENDED A LUNCHEON IN HIS HONOR. UNFORTUNATELY, TOM CAROLAN AND I, WHO HAD ALSO BEEN INVITED, HAD TO BACK OUT AT THE LAST MOMENT, BUT WE SENT OUR APOLOGIES. I THEREAFTER TRIED NUMEROUS TIMES TO PAY A COURTESY CALL ON MAKHLOUF AT HIS HOTEL, BUT COULD NOT ESTABLISH CONTACT.

2. IN OTHER WORDS, VARIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING CRASH PROJECTS IN THIS OFFICE, PREVENTED US FROM GIVING MAKHLOUF THE PERSONAL ATTENTION WE HAD INTENDED.

3. AMBASSADOR KABBANI TELLS US MAKHLOUF AND WIFE WERE COMPLETELY SATISFIED WITH VISIT, INCLUDING STAY AT WALTER REED, AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR YOUR ROLE IN MAKING
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THEIR TRIP A PLEASANT ONE.
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